

Facility Status Reporting During Emergencies and Nursing Home Census Reporting

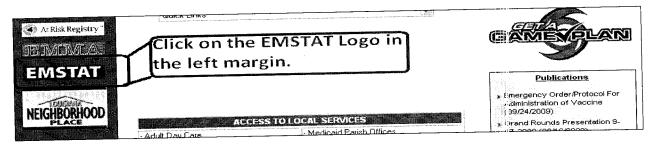
A User Guide for accessing your facility's information and providing updates on your status before, during, and after an emergency.

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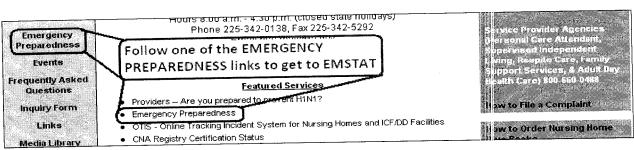
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Quick Start Guide

- 1. Always access the EMSTAT application through any of the following web sites:
 - > Louisiana Department of Health and Hospitals: http://www.dhh.state.la.us/

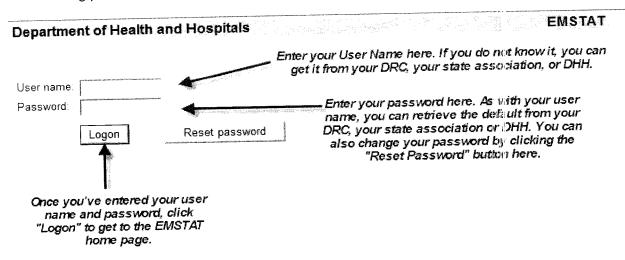


Health Standards Section: http://www.dhh.louisiana.gov/offices/?ID=112



- > Louisiana Nursing Home Association: http://www.lnha.org/
- Gulf States Association of Homes and Services for the Aging: http://www.gulfstatesahsa.org/
- > Louisiana Hospital Association: http://www.lhaonline.org/

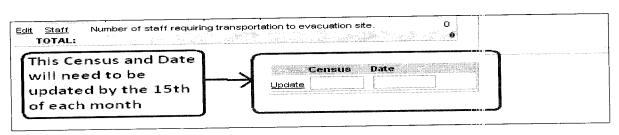
2. Clicking on the EMSTAT logos or links on any of these web sites will open a new window that will bring you to the login page for EMSTAT:



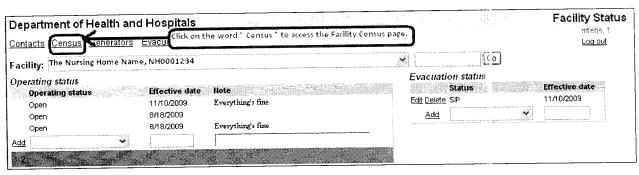
Links:

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- 3. Once you're in the application's main page you will need to update your facility information on the following pages; <u>Facility</u>, <u>Contact</u>, <u>Census</u>, and <u>Generator</u>. The Evacuation and Outage pages are to be used if requested during major emergency events. Each of the pages can be selected from the links at the top of the page.
 - Nursing Homes are required to update their census by the 15th of each month:



> The Census to be updated is found on the "Facility Census"

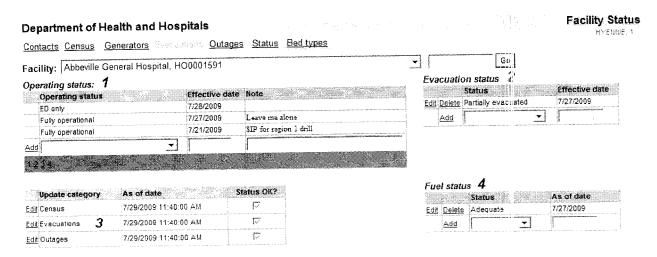


Giving a Status Update for a "No Change" Situation

Upon request, ALL facilities are to update EMSTAT for an emergency event. It is required that you update all of your information on EMSTAT by going to each page and enter or correct the requested information. Once all information on each page has been updated, each facility is then required to update twice daily – 7:30 AM and 2:30 PM.

During an event and only when your facility's evacuation status, power status, and census is unchanged from your last status report you simply need to let DHH know that you've checked in and reported no change in status. EMSTAT has been designed to let you do this in a few clicks of the mouse as follows:

Always update all EMSTAT pages before using the following update option!



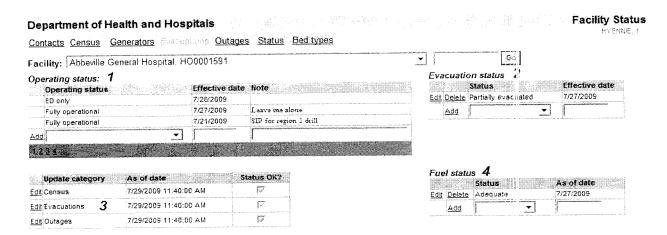
This graphic shows four of the major areas for status unchanged updates – to be used only after ALL information has been updated following an initial request:

- 1. Your facility's overall operating status only updated during Emergencies.
 - a. Hospitals can indicate parts of their facilities as open.
 - b. Nursing homes can be open, closed, or closed-out of business.
- 2. Your facility's evacuation status only updated during Emergencies:
 - a. Both hospitals and nursing homes can be fully evacuated, partially evacuated, or sheltering in place at the time of a status report.
 - b. For nursing homes, "Partially evacuated" would be used to indicate that your evacuation is still in progress at the time of your status report. If you are not fully evacuating all residents (does not include staff) you would indicate "sheltering in place". You will still need to report evacuated residents.

- 3. The status of three key factors regarding your facility- only updated during Emergencies:
 - a. Your census always update census on Facility Census page after initial request.
 - b. Your evacuation status (**for nursing homes only!**). Please note that in the row of links at the top of the page, the choice for "Evacuations" is disabled if a hospital is the active facility.
 - c. Your power or other outage status

4. Your fuel status

a. Please note that if you indicate that you are critically low or will need fuel "as of" a certain date in EMSTAT, it does not replace the need to contact your parish and/or your DRC to place a fuel request in WebEOC. The data entered in EMSTAT is used for forecasting before your request gets to WebEOC and ESF 8. Always try your normal supplier first.



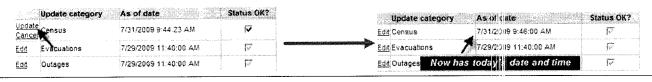
<u>In the screen shot above #1 – the Operating Status</u> – this facility has their Emergency Department (ED) only open as of 7/28/09. A Nursing Facility might be open or closed.

In #2 Evacuation Status facility reports that it has been partially evacuated since 7/27/09. A nursing facility would choose either Fully Evacuated or SIP (Sheltering In Place) for this section.

In area # 3, this hospital would edit and check –Status OK- for Census and Outages if there was no change since their last recent update. Nursing Facilities would edit and check –Status OK - for Census, Evacuations, and Outages if there was no change since their last recent update.

To do this is simple:

- 1. Click the "Edit" link next to the category you wish to update. In this example, we'll use Census.
 - a. We click the "Edit" link next to Census and, since the "Status OK?" box is already checked, all we have to do is click "Update" and we're done!



- 2. For Outages, we follow the same procedure.
- 3. For Evacuations, Nursing Homes would follow the same procedure.

In area #4, Fuel Status, enter generator fuel status – Adequate, Critically Low, or Out.

Now the update is completed for this reporting period. No further reports or status updates are necessary for that period. However, if your status in any one of these categories changes, you are required to go that section and make the necessary updates.

For most facilities with stable situations during an event, once an update or baseline report is made, simply clicking the "Edit" and "Update" links next to the appropriate items in the Update Category (#3) will complete their reporting responsibilities for each period – before 7:30 AM then again before 2:30 PM.

Finally, reporting changes in status is only required for census, evacuations, outages, fuel status, and operating status if there are actual changes from the last reporting period. If your situation in these areas is unchanged from the last report, you can satisfy your reporting requirement with a few clicks!

Remember to always click "<u>Update</u>" or "<u>Add</u>" to ensure your information is entered. If a mistake is made you can either delete the entry then enter the correct data or edit the data.

Introduction

Past emergency events such as floods, freezes, pandemics, tornados, hurricanes etc. have demonstrated an urgent need for timely information about the status of critical healthcare facilities such as hospitals and nursing homes. This need for near-real time information includes not only facility status data but also data about census and patient status. EMSTAT, a mechanism to obtain this information from facilities was developed in order to minimize the time a facility has to devote to information transfer and at the same time allow accurate detailed reporting for incident commanders trying to manage an event response across a region or the state.

The rapid development and changing informational needs will result in the continued need for modifying EMSTAT while the application is being used. It is much like "changing the tires while the car is moving." The development team is acutely aware of the difficulties this type of approach may impose on end users, and the entire team wants to communicate the sincere intent to minim ze these impacts as much as possible. Your suggestions for improvement are always timely and will be considered in depth by the team.

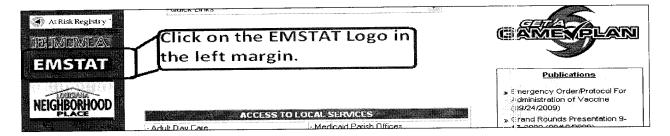
Thank you in advance for your patience as the development and refinement of EMSTAT continues. We sincerely believe EMSTAT will be beneficial to facilities while still yielding valuable information for managing emergency events.

Step-By-Step Walk Through

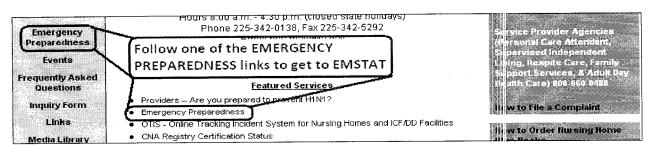
Getting to EMSTAT

The easiest way to ensure that you are getting to the latest version of the application is to use one of several gateways:

Louisiana Department of Health and Hospitals: http://www.dhh.state.la.us/



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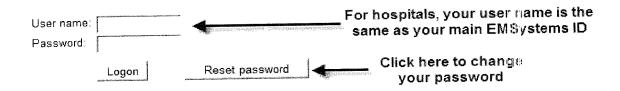
GSAHSA, LHA and LNHA main page links bring you to another page where you can find the EMSTAT logos to click on.

Clicking on the EMSTAT logos or links on either of these web sites will open a new window that will bring you to the login page for EMSTAT:

Main Logon Screen

We strongly urge Hospital facilities to reset their passwords, Nursing Homes will continue to use the current password(s) used for monthly census update and online licensing login.

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Nursing homes can change if they so choose but do not have to. The password requirements are that it be at least 6 alphanumeric characters in length, with one character being a number.

General Navigation and Editing Hints

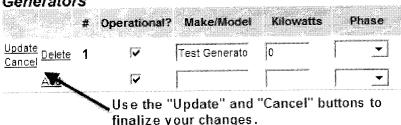
- 1. Please use the links at the top of each page to navigate back and forth between sections. Using the "Back" button on your browser may cause you to lose data changes and in some cases can lead to errors.
- 2. Generally, adding a data item is done by using the "Add" next to the data item as illustrated:
- 3. After adding or changing data, there will usually be "Update" and "Cancel" links.

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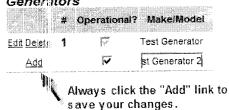
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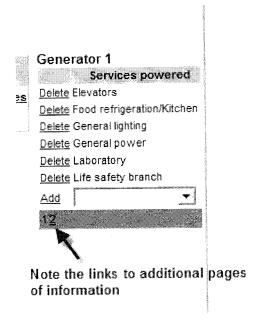


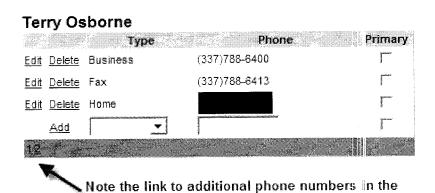
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4. In some areas of the application, the data window may not show all of the entries made for that item. As an example, in the "Services" area for generators, the application will show the first 6 entries. Additional entries are on a second page, indicated by the presence of page numbers in the bottom bar:

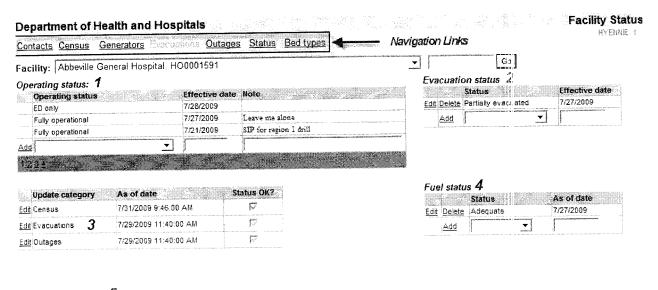




Be aware of these conventions to avoid re-entry of data or thinking that your data wasn't saved.

Contacts section.

Once you login, you will be brought to the home page for your facility. If you are responsible for more than one facility, you will be able to choose between them. Otherwise, the drop down will not have other choices.



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You should Always review/update all EMSTAT pages first!

As you can see, there are 5 major input areas on the screen along with the navigation links at the top of the page. The 4 principal input areas are:

- 1. Your facility's overall operating status.
 - a. Hospitals can indicate parts of their facilities as open.
 - b. Nursing homes can be either open or closed.
- 2. Your facility's evacuation status:
 - a. Both hospitals and nursing homes can be fully evacuated, partially evacuated, or sheltering in place at the time of a status report.
 - i. For nursing homes, "Partially evacuated" would be used to indicate that your evacuation is still in progress at the time of your status report. If you are not evacuating all of your residents, you would indicate "sheltering in place".

- 3. The status of three key factors regarding your facility:
 - a. Your census
 - b. Your evacuation status (**for nursing homes only!**). Please note that in the row of links at the top of the page, the choice for "Evacuations" is disabled if a hospital is the active facility.
 - c. Your power or other outage status
- 4. Your fuel status NOT to be used to request fuel.
 - a. Please note that if you indicate that you are critically low or will need fuel "as of" a certain date in EMSTAT, it does not replace the need to contact your parish and/or your DRC to place a fuel request in WebEOC. The data entered in EMSTAT is used for forecasting before your request gets to WebEOC and ESF 8.

#5 is a box that you can click to display a history of all the updates you have made in the "Update Category" area directly above.

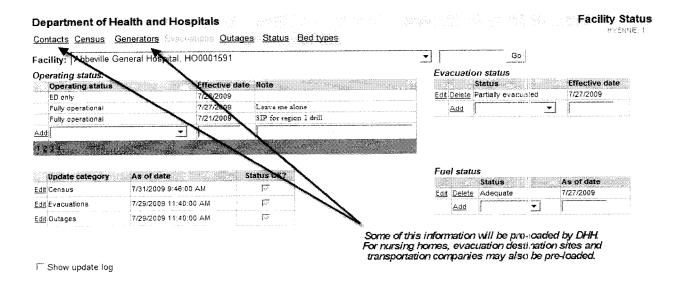
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Finally, your twice daily- 7:30 AM and 2:30 PM- reporting of changes in status is only required for census, evacuations, outages, fuel status, and operating status if there are actual changes from the last reporting period. If your situation in these areas is unchanged from the last report, you can satisfy your reporting requirement with a few clicks!

Some basic data about facilities will be pre-loaded by DHH. However, it is the responsibility of the facility to ensure that all information on EMSTAT is kept current and correct.

<u>Contacts page</u> - The first entries which need to be done are the main contacts for the facility. This includes the following:



- A. Emergency Contacts
 - 1. Contact's Name
 - 2. Contact's Type/Position
 - 3. Contact's Phone
 - a. Home
 - b. Business
 - c. Mobile
 - d. Fax
 - e. Other
 - 4. Contact's E-mail
- B. Utility Providers
 - 1. Provider Name
 - 2. Provider Type
 - 3. Facility Account # for that Provider
- C. Evacuation Host Sites / Transportation Co
 - 1. Name of resource
 - 2. Type of resource
 - 3. Location of resource by parish or out of state
 - 4. Resource contact phone #
 - 5. Effective date of contract date contract went into effect.

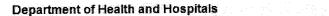
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To add a new contact, simply start typing in the empty data fields:

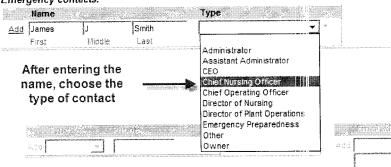
When finished, click the "Add" link to add the contact to the list.

It is important to choose the title of the contact:

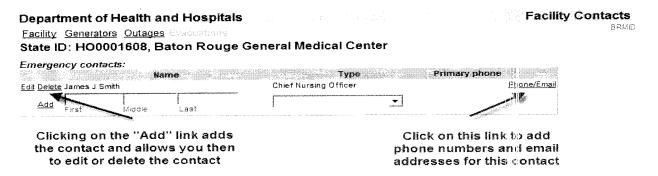


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Emergency contacts:



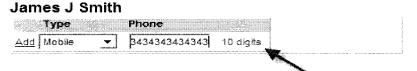
Once the contact has been entered, you can now enter telephone numbers and email addresses for the chosen contact:



When adding an email address, you will be asked to confirm it:

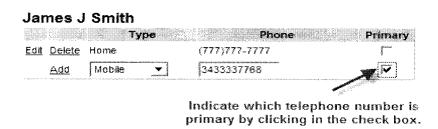


Telephone numbers are added in a similar fashion.



enter a 10 digit phone number - no dashes or parentheses are required. If the number you typed contains more or less than 10 digits you will get this error message

When entering more than one telephone number for a contact, you have the option to designate one number as the primary phone number through a check box:

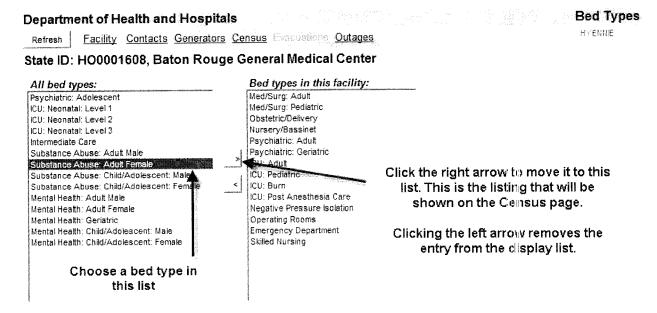


Once you have completed the entry of pertinent facility contacts, you can proceed to the Census page to update this information. The schedule and timing for updates will be communicated by ESF 8 leadership.

Bed Types Page- for Hospitals Only

Before reporting census, a hospital must go to the Bed Types page to choose the bed types in the facility for which census must be reported. In order to make the census report as complete as possible and to mitigate any follow-up telephone contact, we have listed a large variety of bed types.

Hospitals should log in to EMSTAT now to choose and finalize their bed types for reporting. The bed types list is final for this season.



Here are a few helpful tips regarding bed types:

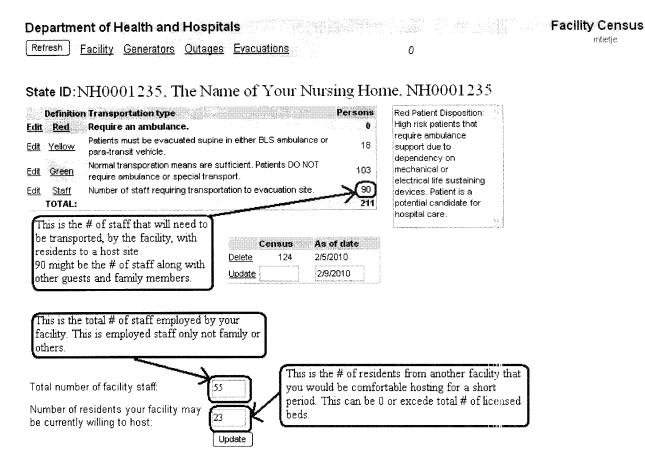
- 1. If your beds in a given unit are designated as either pediatric or adult, default to an adult bed type. For example, this is very common for med-surg beds where there is r't a designated pediatric unit.
- 2. Only use "med psych" designations if your unit is a med surg unit and not a general psych unit. If in doubt, default to the "mental health" bed type.
- 3. Be careful not to double count beds. For example, Negative pressure beds should only be counted one time. If beds are included in the negative pressure bed type, please deduct this total from their parent unit numbers. Also, skilled nursing beds should only be listed separately if there is a dedicated SNF unit.
- 4. Obviously, not all facilities will use all bed types. For example, if you only have one ICU for all shapes and sizes, then put all beds in a single ICU bed type category.
- 5. There are several "Holding" bed types. These can be used to report census numbers for units or departments for which you don't want to show "available" beds. For example, if you pick "Holding Only Emergency Department" beds and report staffed capability and occupied census, there will be no calculation for "Available Beds". This rule is in effect for any "Holding" bed type. No "Holding" bed type is calculated as an empty, available bed.

- 6. If you make a mistake and include a bed type (and even report census for that bed type) that your facility doesn't have, you can go back to the Bed Types page and de-select it. The bed type will disappear from your census list, even if you have reported data in prior periods.
 - a. If you decide later that you really do want to report that bed type, you can re-select it, and all your prior census data will re-appear in your list.

Census Page -for Hospitals and Nursing Homes

The Census page for **Nursing Homes** requires the following information:

- A. Facility Transportation Needs = red + yellow + green + staff. The total of red+yellow+green residents can be less than census but not more. Enter only residents and staff- that would need transportation at the point in time when information is entered. If they are out of the facility (example: with family or at hospital) they would not need transportation.
 - 1. # of RED persons that need ALS ambulance need ambulance with life support
 - 2. # of YELLOW persons that need BLS ambulance or Wheelchair accessible
 - 3. # of Green persons that can go by any normal transport
 - 4. # of staff that need facility to provide transportation this includes required staff and staff that just needs transportation
 - 5. Total # of persons needing transportation
- B. Current Facility Census Is required to be updated by the 15th of each month.
 - 1. Census= all beds that are currently occupied or reserved
 - 2. As of Date = date you entered census
 - 3. Resident Census total # should be equal to or less than the total of red+yellow+green.
- C. Total # of Facility Staff = all staff employed by nursing home
- D. Number of residents the facility is willing to host at this time. If you are willing to host residents from another facility how many are you willing to host at this point in time. There is no obligation to serve as a host.



For hospitals, once bed types are chosen, the required census report can be input at the required intervals.

The Census page for **hospitals** contains the following sections:

- 1. The bed types hospitals only.
- 2. These are chosen on the "Bed Types" page-hospitals only.
- 3. The Census is requested as follows:
 - a. Staffed capacity: this is not licensed capacity, but the real capacity determined by staffing levels at the reporting point. Although a facility may be licensed for 10 beds, they may only have staff to accommodate 8.
 - b. Census: the number of patients in those bed types at the reporting point.
 - c. The "Available Beds" will be calculated by subtracting Census from Staffed Capacity.
 - i. As soon as the functionality is verified and all hospitals are reporting, the requirement for duplicate reporting in EMResource™ during emergencies will be dropped.

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Bed Type As of date	Staffed Capacity	Census	Avail able Beds
Edit Emergency Department	0	0	0
Edit ICU: Adult	0	0	0
Edit ICU: Burn	0	0	0
Edit ICU: Pediatric	0	0	0
Edit ICU: Post Anesthesia Care	0	0	0
Edit Med/Surg: Adult	0	0	0
Edit Med/Surg: Pediatric	0	0	0
Edit Negative Pressure Isolation	0	0	0
Edit Nursery/Bassinet	0	0	0
Edit Obstetric/Delivery	0	0	0
Edit Operating Rooms	0	0	0
Edit Psychiatric: Adult	0	0	0
Edit Psychiatric: Geriatric	0	0	0
Edit Skilled Nursing	0	0	0
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You can click here to get a complete report of the entries in the Census section. You can export this report to Excel.

Entering census information by bed type is straightforward. For the bed types in your hospital, simply

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Census

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Clicking the "Edit" link next to a bed type allows you to update the census category that has changed. The "as of date" will default to the date and time that you updated the field. This can be changed.

Once finished, click the "Update" link to add the change.

click the "Edit" link to enter new data:

Once you click the "Update" link:

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Census

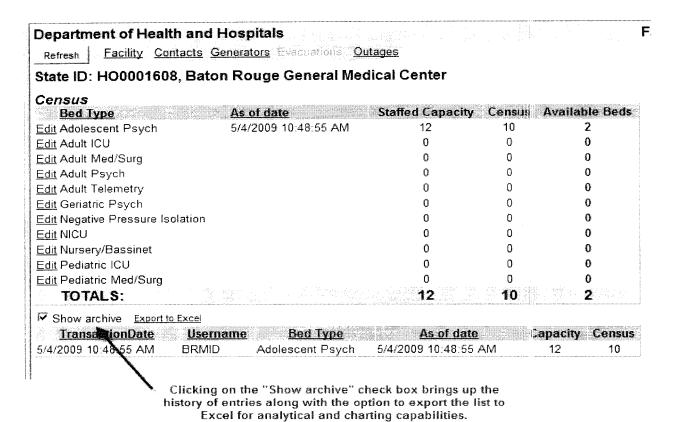
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Your changes for this bed type are now reflected in the table.

Again, a facility only has to report on bed types where either the staffed capacity or census has changed. If both items are unchanged since the last report, no additional data entry is needed.

Also note that there are some bed types that might be characterized as "holding" bed types. The application will not include counts of these bed types in the summary totals for the facility.

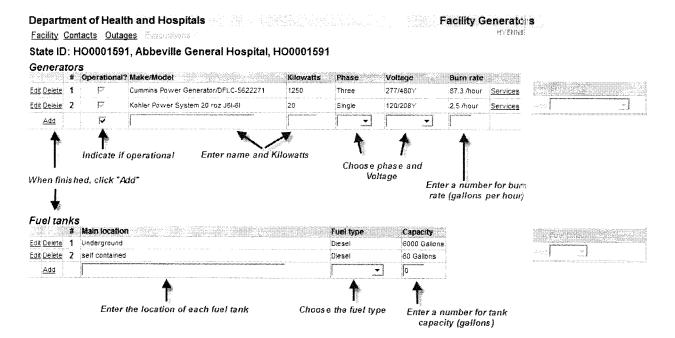
You can obtain a history of census entries by checking the "Show archive" check box:



When the history is displayed, you have the option of exporting the data to Excel.

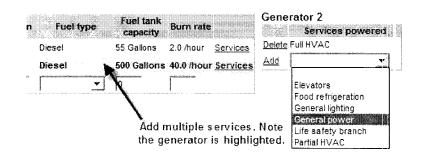
Adding a Generator

Go to the "Generator" page to add the generators and fuel tanks for the facility:



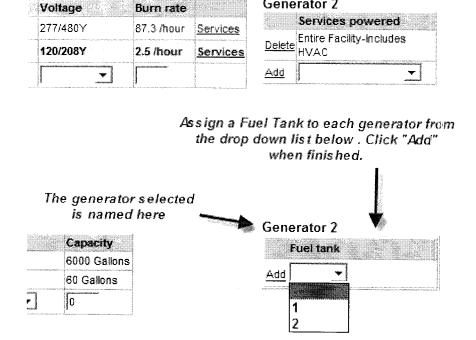
Once the basic generator and fuel tank information has been added, click the "Services" link for the generator to specify the services powered by that generator. You can pick multiple services for each generator:

This can be completed for multiple services for each generator:



Generator 2

Clicking the "Services" Link also allows you to assign a Fuel Tank to a generator:

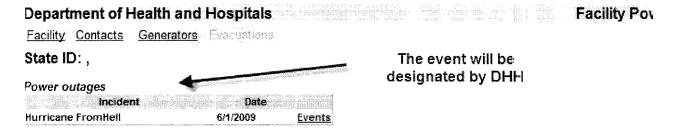


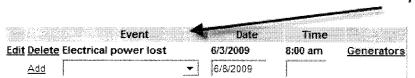
NOTE: DHH has pre-loaded generator and fuel tank information where known. Facilities that have multiple generators on one fuel tank should log in now to ensure that the right fuel tanks are assigned to the right generators.

Documenting an Outage

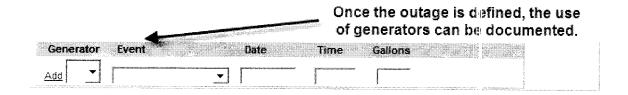
Once certain static information items for a facility (such as generator information) have been entered, the facility can now document an "outage" event such as the loss of power.

When requested during an emergency event a facility can use this section to report an outage of public electrical power, public water service, and/or telephone service.





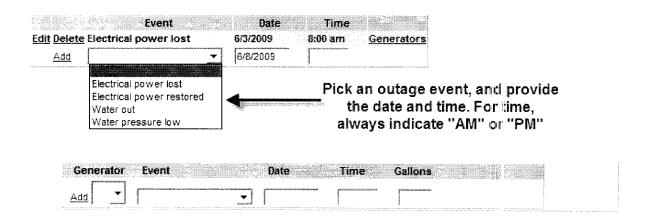
A facility can then choose the type of outage experienced.



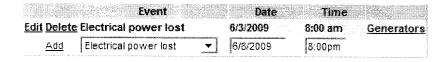
For the "Hurricane from Hell" event, let's document the loss of power and the use of a generator:

1. The first step is to indicate the outage type along with the date and time:



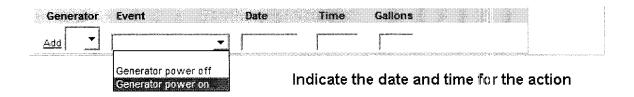


2. Once the outage event is documented, add a generator event by choosing the generator number for which an action is being taken (each generator you documented on the "Generator" page will be represented in the drop down list by its number).

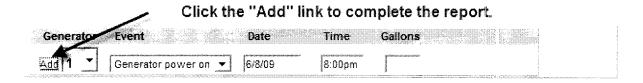




3. Choose the generator action desired:



4. Until the application development is completed, enter the number of gallons of fuel available (for diesel and gasoline generators). This will estimate the duration of fuel availability.



You have now documented an outage event. Simply repeat the process for any change in status (i.e. when public power is restored and generators are shut down).

Patient Tracking

EMSTAT will be used for patient tracking for the following facility types:

- 1. Nursing Homes
- 2. Certain OCDD (Office of Citizens with Developmental Disabities) clients and programs
- 3. Certain OAD (Office of Addictive Disorders) clients and programs
- 4. Certain OAAS (Office of Aging and Adult Services) waiver clients and programs.

Hospital patients and hospital evacuations will be tracked in detail through another application, the At Risk Registry.

The current functionality is designed for nursing homes only and looks as follows:

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Nursing homes would identify patient movement "in bulk" by type of patient (Red, Yellow, or Green) which had implications for transportation resources. The planned patient tracking functionality would replace this "bulk" reporting. However, in the current production version (as of the date of this version of the User Guide), the bulk reporting feature is still active.

However, nursing homes and the other facility types mentioned will use EMSTAT to track patients during an event. For nursing homes, this will replace the bulk tracking and reporting of patient evacuation locations that was required in prior hurricane seasons. It will also replace the requirement for faxing or emailing patient lists to Health Standards post-event. EMSTAT will be the repository for patient location information and as such, it is the responsibility of the facility to ensure that the information contained in EMSTAT is complete and accurate.

In order to make this process as error-free as possible, DHH will attempt to pre-local patient names for each facility that will use EMSTAT for patient tracking as soon as an event is declared active. We have identified data sources for most facility types and are testing data uploads. We are expecting that when an event is declared and facilities are asked to start patient tracking that their current patient data will be substantially complete and accurate upon their first login. The facility will then have to only enter changes, new patients, and ongoing status changes during the event.

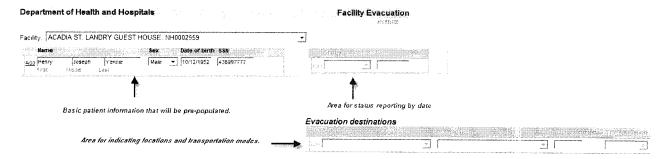
Also, for this season, the functionality will be fairly simple. It will consist of the following:

- 1. Patient identifying information (name, birthdate, and Social Security Number)
- 2. Status by date
- 3. Evacuation destination, date and transportation used.

As of this date, this part of EMSTAT is still under development. As this functionality is finalized, this guide will be revised to reflect the most current screens and functions.

Patient Tracking Screen

The following picture depicts the current patient tracking screen in EMSTAT, showing the initial stages of entering a sample patient for tracking. Remember that in an actual event, DHH is planning to prepopulate patient data for each facility.

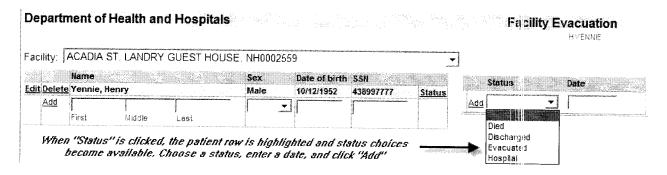


For this version of the user guide, we will illustrate entering a sample patient for tracking purposes:

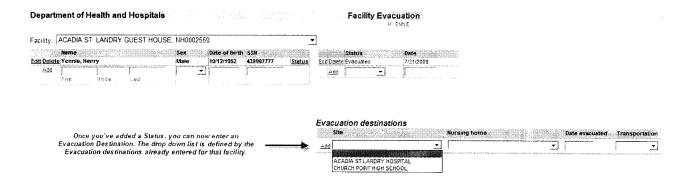
1. Enter the patient information as shown, and click the "Add" link:

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2. Enter Status information

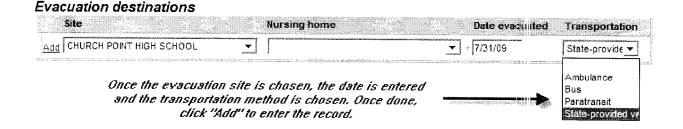


3. Once that's completed, add an Evacuation Destination:



If the facility has evacuated patients to a facility not previously identified to DHH or Health Standards, that new facility will have to be entered into EMSTAT in the Contacts section under the "Evacuation Sites, Transportation Co" section. This will allow the new facility to appear in the drop down for patient evacuation destinations.

4. Adding the date and transportation mode:



NOTE: In the next production version, the "Nursing Home" drop down list will merge with the Site list. So a facility that may have chosen both a nursing home and a non-nursing home as evacuation destinations can choose those facilities from one list.

Once this data has been entered for a patient, the tracking information is complete.

Application Support

If you need assistance with the application during non-emergency periods, you can access support by emailing Henry Yennie; henry.yennie@la.gov or Malcolm Tietje; malcolm.tietje@la.gov .

During an emergency, DHH will establish a help desk unit for support of this application. Details about accessing support during emergencies will be forwarded to you with the first request to update your status or shortly after the event has occurred.

As the application development will continue, please send all comments and suggestions for modifications to Henry. These will be discussed and prioritized with the developer if feasible.